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PUBLIC MEETING SCHEDULED TO DISCUSS UPPER PENINSULA ZONING DISTRICT

Charleston, S.C. — The City of Charleston is hosting a public meeting to discuss a potential new zoning district envisioned for the upper eastern side of the peninsula. The meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 4, 2015, at the International Longshoremen's Association Local 1422 located at 1142 Morrison Drive.

The Upper Peninsula is experiencing an unprecedented rate of growth. The new Upper Peninsula Zoning District encourages owners to build responsibly and sustainably to positively impact the Upper Peninsula and its residents, while also implementing recommendations of City plans. This zoning district is largely incentive based, allowing owners to build taller and denser in return for implementing development which is purposefully designed to directly benefit the area. Some development options being proposed include affordable housing options, managing stormwater and flooding, and the addition of parks and plazas.

Mayor Joseph P. Riley, Jr. said, "The Upper Peninsula Zoning District provides a wonderful opportunity for future development to positively impact the Upper Peninsula. I encourage residents, property owners and those who work in and visit the area to attend this meeting."

The effort is part of the <u>Charleston Upper Peninsula Initiative</u>, which is an innovative and collaborative community planning effort to help promote thoughtful growth of the area. The Upper Peninsula Initiative strongly encourages participation from the community.

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